

I am writing with great concern that the proposed plan to lift the cross-ownership ban to allow further media consolidation will not serve the public interest.

At a time of crisis, the dangers of such overwhelming concentration in media are more glaring than ever. The changes underway will make U.S. media even less diverse, more commercial and less accountable to the public.

This cannot be permitted. This is the way in which Fascist States emerge. The US is a democracy, and as such, can only function with the consent of an informed populace. This cannot happen when there is a media monopoly which is not beholden to the people. The public airwaves belong to the people...not a corporate monolith.

Please proceed with extreme caution in this time of greatest need and public awareness.

Respectfully,